CGRateS-OpenSIPS Integration

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Located in Bavaria/Germany, over 10 years of experience with architecting server side solutions in VoIP environment

Platform implementations covering both wholesale and retail business categories

Responsibly understanding real-time processing constraints and the seriousness of live system outages



About CGRateS

Real-time Enterprise Billing Suite

Pluggable into existing infrastructure Accommodate new components into ISP/ITSP network (eg: new VoIP switch, SMS Service) Non-intrusive into existing setups

Open Source software

Full sources available on Github repository No add-ons in private repositories Strong and vibrant community behind

Performance Oriented

Built-in advanced cache system (transactional, LRU + TTL records) Asynchronous processing with micro-threads

Test driven development

More than. 1500 tests as part of the build system



About CGRateS (2)

Modular architecture

Cloud-ready, micro-services with rich set of RPC APIs Easy to enhance by rewriting specific components

Feature-rich

Online/Offline Charging System (OCS) Multi-tenancy from day one Rating Engine with Derived Charging and A-Number rating Account Balances Management with Bundles Session or Event Charging with balance reservation and refunds CDR logging with support for Interim Records Fraud detection with automatic mitigation LCR with QoS/Bundles Call Statistics with pattern monitoring Diameter/Radius Server with process templates (standard agnostic) Resource allocation controller Built-in High-Availability support Agile in developing new features





Actively maintained

*stats provided by openhub.net



RATE/ACCOUNT/LCR	CDR SERVER	SESSION MANAGER
Functionality: • calculate costs for events • maintain accounts • compute LCR • real-time fraud mitigation	Functionality: • centralized CDR server • CDR replication • forward to CDRStats	Functionality: • maintain/disconnect sessions • balance reservation • balance refunds
DIAMETER AGENT	CDR STATS	RESOURCE LIMITER
Functionality: • call control via diameter interface (rfc 4006).	Functionality: • compute real-time CDR stats • real-time fraud mitigation	Functionality: • control resource alocation
USER SERVER	ALIASING SERVER	PUBSUB SERVER
Functionality: • maintain user profiles (LDAP similarity)	Functionality: • alias request/reply information using predefined rules	Functionality: • expose internal events to subscribed external components

CGRateS popular Subsystems



CGR-RALs (Rating/Accounting)

Highly configurable rating

Connect fees, rate units, rate increments, rates grouping, a-number rating, various rounding methods, configurable decimals in costs, maximum cost per destination with hit strategy, rating profile scheduling

Unlimited Balances per Account

*voice, *data, *sms, *mms, *monetary, *generic Unlimited bundle combinations with balance prioritisation

Concurrent sessions handling

Balance reservation in chunks of debit interval Balance refunds Debit sleep when needed



CGR-RALs (LCR)

Core component logic

Internally or remotely accessible through APIer or RALs components Non-intrusive, injects supplier information into Telecom Switch

Tightly coupled with ACCOUNTING subsystem

Provides LCR over bundles

Integrates traffic patterns

Computes LCR for specific call duration

Extended functionality through multiple strategies

*static, *least_cost, *highest_cost, *qos_thresholds, *qos, *load_distribution Flexible strategy parameters



CDR SERVER

Real-time CDR Server

Accessible Internal, GOB, JSON, HTTP-JSON, HTTP-REST interfaces

Offline CDR Import (csv, xml, fwv)

Automated via Linux inotify or scheduled Simultaneous folders monitored with multiple import templates per folder Dynamic fields via import templates

Zero configuration CDR Sources

Asterisk FreeSWITCH Kamailio OpenSIPS



CDR SERVER (2)

Derived Charging support

Real-time CDR replication

Raw or Rated CDRs

CDR Exporter

CSV, Fixed Length Fields, Combined Export templates



CDR STATS

Standalone component

Internally or remotely accessible Performance oriented

RawCDR and RatedCDR sources

Multiple Stats Queues

Individually stat queues for same CDR

Highly configurable Stats Queues

QueueLength, TimeWindow, Metrics CDR Field Filters Multiple metrics: ASR, ACD, ACC, TCC, DCC, PDD,

ActionTriggers attached to each queue

One-time, recurrent triggers Synchronous & Asynchronous Actions executed





CGRateS CDR Processing logic



FRAUD MITIGATION

Part of Accounting

Tightly integrated, balance operations cannot avoid it Minimum & maximum balance/counter monitors

Part of CDRStatS

Multiple metrics and stat queues thresholds

Part of RLs

Monitoring usage counters

Synchronous & Asynchronous Actions



OpenSIPS Integration

Prior to OpenSIPS 2.3 (old way)

rest_client for authorization and accounting mi_datagram for call disconnects coming from CGRateS side db_flatstore/ radius for CDRs

After OpenSIPS 2.3 (new way)

Native CGRateS module for everything ;) Thanks to OpenSIPS core developers!



OpenSIPS scripting

Module configuration

loadmodule "cgrates.so" modparam("cgrates", "cgrates engine", "127.0.0.1:2012")

Call authorization

```
$cgr(Tenant) = $fd;
$cgr(RequestType) = "*prepaid";
if (!async(cgrates_auth("$fU", "$rU"), resume_cgr_auth)) {
    sl_send_reply("503", "Service Unavailable");
    Exit;
}
...
route [resume_cgr_auth] {
    if ($rc < 0) {
        xlog("Call not authorized: code=$cgrret!\n");
        send_reply("403", "Forbidden");
        exit;
    }
```

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OpenSIPS scripting (2)

Call accounting

cgrates_acc("cdr|missed", "\$fU", "\$rU");

Generic RPC Call

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```
$cgr(Tenant) = $fd;
$cgr(Account) = $fU;
$cgr(OriginID) = $ci;
$cgr(SetupTime) = "" + $Ts;
$cgr(RequestType) = "*prepaid";
$cgr(Destination) = $rU;
cgrates_cmd("SMGenericV1.GetMaxUsage");
xlog("Call is allowed to run $cgrret seconds\n");
```



Troubleshooting

OpenSIPS logs

xlog("Call is allowed to run \$cgrret seconds\n");

Protocol capture

```
T 2017/04/25 20:49:48.601645 127.0.0.1:37245 -> 127.0.0.1:2012 [AP]
{ "method": "SMGenericV1.MaxUsage", "params": [ { "OriginID":
    "f6d44d965477901c8bda362990232973@0:0:0:0:0:0:0:0:0", "Account": "1001", "SetupTime":
    "1493146188", "Destination": "1002" } ] }
##
T 2017/04/25 20:49:48.626356 127.0.0.1:2012 -> 127.0.0.1:37245 [AP]
{"id":null,"result":10800,"error":null}
```

Syslog analysis

Apr 27 20:35:31 CGRDev1 CGRateS <8de1d169-a2b3-4fa7-a213-c82c7eaa169f> [7128]: Starting CGRateS CDRS service. Apr 27 20:35:31 CGRDev1 CGRateS <8de1d169-a2b3-4fa7-a213-c82c7eaa169f> [7128]: <CDRC> No enabled CDRC clients Apr 27 20:35:31 CGRDev1 CGRateS <8de1d169-a2b3-4fa7-a213-c82c7eaa169f> [7128]: Starting CGRateS SMGeneric service.



Questions?

Website http://www.cgrates.org

Documentation http://cgrates.readthedocs.orc

Code + issues tracker https://github.com/cgrates/cgrates

Support Google group: CGRateS IRC Freenode: #cgrates

